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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 3522 of 2007

Manisha Dattu Deore .. Applicant

versus

State of Maharashtra .. Respondent

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Mr.N.R. Bubna for the applicant.

Mr.K.V. Saste, APP for the State.

CORAM : D.G.KARNIK, J

DATED : 19th November 2007

P.C.:

1. Heard learned counsel for the applicant and learned APP for the State.

2. The applicant is charged with offences under section 302, 304, 498A, 201 r/w sec.34 of the Indian Penal Code. The applicant is the sister of Dattu who is the main accused. The allegation is that Dattu, his father, his mother and the applicant who is his

sister were harassing Suvarna who is the deceased wife of Dattu. Suvarna died due to poisoning. Charge-sheet has been filed in the Sessions Court. No specific role has been alleged to the applicant. The applicant is 19 years old college girl. According to her at the time of the death, she had gone to the College and was not even present at the site. The allegation against her is not of administering the poison but that she only was harassing the deceased for dowry along with other co-accused.

3. Considering the fact that accused is a college going girl aged 19 years and was not present at the time of the alleged offence and no specific role is attributed to her by any of the witnesses, I am of the view that she can be granted bail. In the circumstances, I pass the following order:-

O R D E R

. The applicant be released on bail on furnishing personal bond of Rs.25,000/- with one or more sureties of the aggregate amount of Rs.25,000/- subject to the following conditions:

i) The applicant shall not interfere with or threaten the witnesses

ii) The applicant shall attend the police station if so required by the police on intimation sent to her by the police.

Application is disposed of.

(D.G. KARNIK, J)